

Safe Web Browsing

The Internet is a vast resource for information and entertainment, but you may come across a number of online threats while surfing.

Danger can lurk around every corner on the Internet, including:

WARNING

Opening and closing sneaky pop up ads.

Fix Now

Clicking deceptive links, images, or videos

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Opening malicious emails

Visiting malicious web pages

Practice safe browsing habits to minimize the risk of online attacks.



Do not click any suspicious links from unknown sources.



Keep device software and apps updated. Be vigilant, and install updates as soon as they are available.



Avoid questionable websites like adult and peer-to-peer file sharing sites.



Only download software from trusted sites. Carefully evaluate free software and applications before downloading.



Use bookmarks. Bookmark frequently visited sites or type a trusted URL for a company's site directly into the address bar.



Avoid browser plug-ins and extensions. Many go unpatched for long periods of time, opening security holes that can be exploited by attackers.



When traveling, connect to a secured network if possible. If your only option is to connect to an unsecured network, use a Virtual Private Network (VPN) to send and receive information securely.



Look at the website's URL. If a URL begins with HTTPS, it's secured using an SSL Certificate. Remember, a site with SSL is usually more secure, but certificates can be forged too. You cannot automatically trust a website because it uses SSL.